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PARLIAMENT OPENS.

KING'S SPEECH FORESHADOWS IMPORTANT LEGISLATION.

HOPE FOR A LASTING SETTLEMENT OF HOME RULE.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received February 10. Mr. Walter Long moves the Opposition amendment to the Address from the Throne in the House of Commons and Viscount Middleton that in the House of Lords.

Expectations.

It is expected that Mr. Asquith will be most conciliatory and will plainly indicate the strong desire of the Ministers to meet Ulster's demands. Mr. Asquith, it is expected, will also invite specific proposals for further safeguarding Ulster's interest.

A Packed House.

London, Received February 11. The momentous session opened with a packed house in the House of Commons.

Mr. W. F. Roeb, Liberal M.P. for Pembroke, moved the Address from the Throne, and Mr. Hewart seconded. Both expressed the hope that a settlement would be reached on Home Rule.

The King's Speech.

The weather was springlike, and the sun shining, when Their Majesties made a procession, in state, from Buckingham Palace to Westminster. A vast concourse of people gathered and cheered them en route.

There was the customary brilliant ceremony in the House of Lords, when His Majesty read his speech from the Throne.

In the course of his speech the King stated that relations with foreign Powers continued friendly, and he expressed pleasure at his forthcoming visit, with Her Majesty the Queen, to France, this testifying to the cordial relations between the two countries. His Majesty hoped that the consultations regarding Albania and the Aegean Islands would contribute to the maintenance of peace in south-eastern Europe, and he trusted that on the arrival of the new ruler in Albania progress would be made towards an efficient and stable Administration.

His Majesty said he was happy to say that Anglo-German and Anglo-Turkish negotiations regarding matters of importance to the commercial and industrial interests of Britain in Mesopotamia were approaching a satisfactory issue, while questions long pending with Turkey in respect of the regions bordering the Persian Gulf were on a fair way towards an amicable settlement. He expressed gratification at the signature of the Convention for Safety of Life at Sea, and stated that a Bill would be submitted to carry out the provisions of the Convention.

Continuing, His Majesty said: "I regret that the early cessation of the seasonal rains last Autumn impaired the prospects of agriculture in considerable tracts of my Indian Dominions. The area visited by the severe drought is, fortunately, restricted and timely measures have been taken for the relief of the distressed population."

Home Rule.

"I regret that efforts to arrive at a solution by agreement of the problems connected with the Government of Ireland have so far not succeeded. In a matter wherein the hopes and fears of so many of my subjects are keenly concerned, and which, unless handled now with foresight, judgment and a spirit of mutual concession, threatens grave future difficulties, it is my most earnest wish that the goodwill and co-

operation of men of all parties and creeds may heal the dissension and lay the foundations of a lasting settlement."

New Bills.

His Majesty announced that Bills would be introduced reconstituting the Second Chamber and dealing with Imperial Naturalisation, housing, education and other social reforms, and also authorising loans to the East African Protectorates to enable them to carry out public works which are urgently required.

Mr. Long Speaks Out.

In moving the Opposition amendment to the Address, regretting that the Government did not intend consulting the country on Home Rule, Mr. Walter Long fervently declared that Ulster was not "bluffing," and asserted that Sir Edward Carson's fearless action and resolute leadership had hitherto prevented a great tragedy. Then, criticising the Bill itself, Mr. Long ridiculed the idea of the supremacy of the Imperial Parliament being guaranteed, citing the case of Natal in 1908. He continued with great emphasis:—"You have another instance now. I don't know the views of Ministerialists regarding the events in South Africa; but with all your boasted supremacy you won't dare to take any action which will bring you in conflict with the South African Government." (Opposition cheers.)

Mr. Asquith's Query.

Mr. Asquith, who was cheered on rising, pointed out that recent bye-elections had been in favour of Home Rule. He said that a dissolution would be an admission that the Parliament Act, as far as Home Rule was concerned, was a nullity. Then there might be a condition of stale-mate. Suppose the Unionists were returned; they would be confronted with the task of governing four-fifths of Ireland which had been disappointed on the eve of the fruition of a cherished hope. Again, if the Liberals were returned, would Ulster lay down her arms?

More Questions.

Mr. Austen Chamberlain said events in Ulster were hurrying to a catastrophe. Yet Mr. Asquith had not told the House what he was prepared to do. The speaker asked whether the Government were prepared to exclude Ulster, or to secure for her the same rights as were enjoyed by Great Britain? If the Government answered "Yes" the danger of civil war would be averted. If the answer were "No" civil war was certain. The exclusion of Ulster was the only possible basis of peace. Though it would be no settlement of the Irish question, it would at least be a negation of Ireland's claim to be an independent nation.

House of Lords.

In the House of Lords, Lord Glenconner moved and Lord Curzon seconded the Address.

Lord Middleton moved an amendment similar to that moved in the House of Commons by Mrs. Walter Long. He demanded the meaning of the words in the King's speech with reference to Ireland, and said that nothing which had fallen from any Minister mitigated in the slightest degree from the Opposition's hostility to the whole principle of the measure. He asked what proposals had been made in the course of the negotiations.

Lord Morley's reply was precisely similar in character to that of Mr. Asquith in the House of Commons.

TELEGRAMS.

JAPANESE UNREST. STATESMEN USE FISTS.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received February 11. Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo states that in the Diet a vote of no confidence in the Government was defeated by 250 to 168.

Simultaneously a great anti-Government meeting, regarding which anxiety was felt, was held in Hibiya Park. Immense crowds also gathered in the vicinity of Parliament and the Navy Department, there being fully 25,000 people in the streets. The crowd was ominously silent, awaiting the result of the vote.

During the debate fistuffs were indulged in on the floor of the House between the Constitutionalists and the Nationalists, one of the latter being carried out in an unconscious condition.

Later.

Reuter's correspondent at Tokyo states that the Budget Committee of the Diet has struck out four and a half millions sterling intended to replenish the permanent Naval Fund.

When the crowd heard the result of the no confidence vote there was a violent outburst. An attempt was made to break the Parliament gates. The disturbances continued in the evening, being marked by growing intensity.

SWEDISH POLITICS.

CABINET RESIGNS.

London, Received February 11.

Reuter's correspondent at Stockholm states that the Cabinet has resigned owing to slight differences with the King, whose reply to the peasants on the matter of increased armaments went somewhat beyond the Premier's inclinations.

CHINESE ENGINEERS.

Training Facilities at the Hongkong University.

The Hongkong University has, says *Shipping and Engineering*, met in the very effective manner the need of an establishment in which the younger generation can obtain a training in engineering science so as to be able to cope at first hand with the various problems in connection with the development of her natural resources, on the successful solution of which so much depends. The college routine followed out by the young Chinese student is, as might be expected, modelled very closely on that obtaining at home and considering the uniform good results obtained by these methods this is just as it should be.

The appeal from the university authorities to British manufacturing firms for machinery and appliances for use in the various laboratories has been met in a very encouraging manner and, having due regard to the short time the university has been in existence, the departmental equipments are unusually complete and, apart from the use to which they will be put by the students, should be of excellent service to the Colony itself in providing engineers resident there with facilities for having independent reports on questions requiring laboratory methods for satisfactory solution.

The fact that degrees taken in the University are to be recognised by most of the principal colleges and universities at home is a sufficient indication of the ease with which the different courses have been drawn up, and assures the student that his work in the college will have a corresponding value in the practical engineering world.

TELEGRAMS.

PANAMA CANAL. COMMISSARIAT SCANDALS.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received February 10. Reuter's Panama correspondent says Mr. Burke, manager of the Commissariat Department, and another official, have been suspended as a result of an investigation into transactions in connection with the food supply for the canal labourers.

It is alleged that Burke invested \$137,000 during the tenure of his post. A prosecution is impending.

AFRICAN OUTRAGES.

A FORMIDABLE LIST.

London, Received February 10.

Reuter's correspondent at Capetown says the Hon. J. O. Smuts has provided the Assembly with a return showing that 38 outrages were attempted or committed during the recent troubles, including three explosions on the railway, one of which was an attempt to wreck a troop train.

PORTUGUESE POLITICS.

A NEW CABINET.

London, Received February 11.

Reuter's correspondent at Lisbon states that Senhor Bernardino Machado has completed a Coalition Cabinet, with Senhor Lima as Minister for the Colonies.

It is probable, however, the only difficulty with which the student will have to contend will be in finding a field in which to exercise the knowledge he has gained; that is, to find a practical outlet for his abilities. This at any rate will be the case for some time to come and it would almost seem as if it would be necessary for a number of the students to go out of the country with a view to acquiring a good practical knowledge of the special branch of engineering they have specialised in. The opportunities at present offering in China for a knowledge like this to be gained are comparatively small and in any case it would be to the advantage of the student to go to a country where he would be thoroughly initiated in up-to-date modern practice. A condition like this, however, can only be of a temporary nature, the vast extent of the country and its comparatively undeveloped condition assures that in the future this practical experience which is absolutely necessary for the complete success of the young engineer, will be obtained in its most useful form in the country in which he has received his education.

In a profession like engineering, especially in its higher and more specialised branches, there is no reason to doubt that the Chinese will be successful. Proofs are already to hand of their ability in this direction, railways have been laid, bridges built, and all sorts of engineering undertakings carried out under the exclusive supervision and control of Chinese engineers and the able manner in which they have dealt with the various problems arising from the works in which they were engaged show that, once he has been properly trained, the Chinese engineer may safely be left to himself. It is to provide this training that the Hongkong University has been established, and the excellent manner in which it has been organised, its staff of highly trained teachers, and its well supplied laboratories, ensure that the object will be successfully attained.

TELEGRAMS.

HAYTIAN REVOLT. PRESIDENT ESCAPES.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received February 11. President Oreste of Hayti, who on the occasion of the revolutionary fighting on January 28 took refuge on a German cruiser, has escaped to Jamaica. Senhor Zamos, the leader of the revolt, has been proclaimed President.

IMMIGRATION.

LITERARY TEST NOT FAVOURED.

London, Received February 11.

Reuter's correspondent at Washington states that President Wilson, in a conversation with the Chairman of the Senate Committee on Immigration, declared against literary tests for immigrants.

HONAN LOAN.

London, Received February 11.

The Honan Loan has been over-subscribed.

THOMAS HARDY.

MARRIES HIS SECRETARY.

London, Received February 11.

Mr. Thomas Hardy, the noted novelist, has been married to his secretary, Miss Dugdale.

A TROUBLESOME AMAH.

Has to pay for Unauthorised Leave.

At the Police Court, this morning, before Mr. J. R. Wood, Mrs. Allen, wife of Sergt. Allen, charged her amah with absconding herself from duty without permission.

Prosecutrix informed her Worship that the amah went away on January 25 and returned on January 28, when she asked for payment of wages, which was refused. On the Friday following the amah abused the prosecutrix and again asked for payment. The amah had been engaged at the rate of ten dollars a month, but as she had been satisfactory she had been given an extra dollar. She had been employed by the prosecutrix for two years. The defendant said that her mistress gave her leave to go on Chinese New Year, and told her to be back by January 27. She also alleged that the prosecutrix threw hot water over her.

In explanation, Mrs. Allen said that the amah had terrified the children by shouting and she had warned her that unless she got out of the quarters she would throw water over her. The woman would not go, and the water was thrown.

The magistrate imposed a fine of \$5, and told the amah that she would have to forfeit her wages up to January 25.

JAPANESE RELIEF FUND.

The Japanese Relief Fund Committee has received the following further contributions, which they acknowledge with thanks:—

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Total on the 10th Feb. \$2,702.00

TELEGRAMS.

PARCEL POST.

INAUGURATED IN CANADA.

[Reuter's Service To The "Telegraph."]

London, Received February 10. Reuter's correspondent at Ottawa says the parcel post was inaugurated throughout Canada at midnight; the first parcel bearing a commemorative inscription being sent to the Duke of Connaught by the Postmaster General, Hon. L. P. Pelletier.

TRIPLE ALLIANCE.

A COMPLEX SITUATION.

London, Received February 11.

It has transpired that while accepting generally Britain's draft communication to be addressed to Athens and Constantinople, the Triple Alliance has opened the question of eventual measures to enforce the decisions of the Powers. Should they await the Turco-Greek replies, there appears reason to doubt Germany's willingness to participate in such measures, and a hitch is threatened, as it is unlikely that Greece will be willing to evacuate Albania unless peaceful possession of the Islands assigned to her is effectually guaranteed.

LORD MINTO.

A SERIOUS RELAPSE.

London, Received February 11.

Lord Minto has had a serious relapse, and his condition is causing great anxiety.

Ambassador's Daughter Married.

Miss Norah Greene, daughter of the British Ambassador in Tokyo and Lady Lily Greene, was married to Capt. Hubert Brand, British Naval Attache at the Embassy, in Tokyo on January 28. The civil ceremony was conducted by Lord Kilmarnock, First Secretary. The religious service was held in St. Andrew's Church, all the Ambassadors, Ministers, Charges d'Affaires and their staffs attending, and also Baron Makino, Baron Saito and Baron Kato. Bishop Cecil officiated, assisted by other clergy. After the ceremony a reception was given at the Embassy by Sir Conyngham and Lady Greene, Japanese princes and princesses and the Ministers of State being amongst those present. The Empress of Japan presented the bride with a magnificent silver bowl.

Chino-Siam Bank.

With regard to affairs of the Chino-Siam Bank the *Bangkok Times* learns that a preliminary statement has been received by the Ministry of Finance from Mr. A. E. Donaldson, who was appointed to examine the Bank's books. The statement shows the amounts due from the various debtors, and notices are now being sent out to these debtors, informing them of the amount shown against them in the books, and asking them to state within fourteen days of the receipt of the notice whether the amount stated is accepted as correct. If no reply is received within that period it is taken that the amount is so accepted. Shareholders whose shares are not fully paid up are included in the list of those to whom notices being sent. Against some of the earlier notices issued a certain amount of money has already been paid in.

NEWS FOR BUSY MEN.

TELEGRAMS.

CONDENSED.

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Mr. Thomas Hardy, the novelist, has married his secretary, Miss Dugdale.

President Wilson has declared against literary tests for immigrants.

The chief speeches in both Houses of Parliament yesterday are outlined in telegrams to-day.

The King's Speech forebodes Bills dealing with the reform of the House of Lords, education and housing.

In his speech from the Throne the King hoped that goodwill and co-operation will lead to a lasting settlement of Home Rule.

The Swedish Cabinet has resigned owing to slight differences with the King over the armament question.

A return of 38 outrages committed or attempted during the African troubles has been laid before the Assembly.

A vote of no confidence in the Japanese Government was defeated, upon which there were serious Government demonstrations by big crowds.

NEWS.

Log book appears on page 6 to-day.

Training notes, with times record at this morning's gallops, appear to-day.

The proceedings at yesterday's meeting of the Sanitary Board are reported to-day.

A contributed article on British Banks and Bankers appears in to-day's issue.

The caste for the performances of "The Idol's Eye" is given to-day.

The Society of St. Vincent de Paul has established three distinct conferences to carry out its work.

General news and an article dealing with a new wireless circuit of the globe appear on page 3.

DON'T FORGET.

TO-DAY.

Victoria Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

Bijou Theatre, 9.15 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Victoria Theatre—9.15 p.m.

Bijou Theatre—9.15 p.m.

The Idol's Eye, Theatre Royal, —9.15 p.m.

Friday, February 13.

The Idol's Eye—Theatre Royal, —9.15 p.m.

25th Panjab Sports, U.S.R.C.

Saturday, February 14.

The Idol's Eye—Theatre Royal, —9.15 p.m.

Half yearly meeting of Shareholders Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation—noon.

Humphreys Estate and Finance Co. Ltd annual General meeting —11.30 a.m.

Monday February 16.

Jockey Club Race Meeting Happy Valley.

Maud Allan at Theatre Royal —2.15 p.m.

Tuesday, February 17.

Maud Allan at Theatre Royal —8.15 p.m.

Concert Seamen's Institute.

Wednesday, February 18.

Maud Allan at Theatre Royal —8.15 p.m.

Thursday, February 19.

Ball at Government House.

Saturday February 21.

A. D. C. Performance Theatre Royal—9.15 p.m.

Thursday, February 26.

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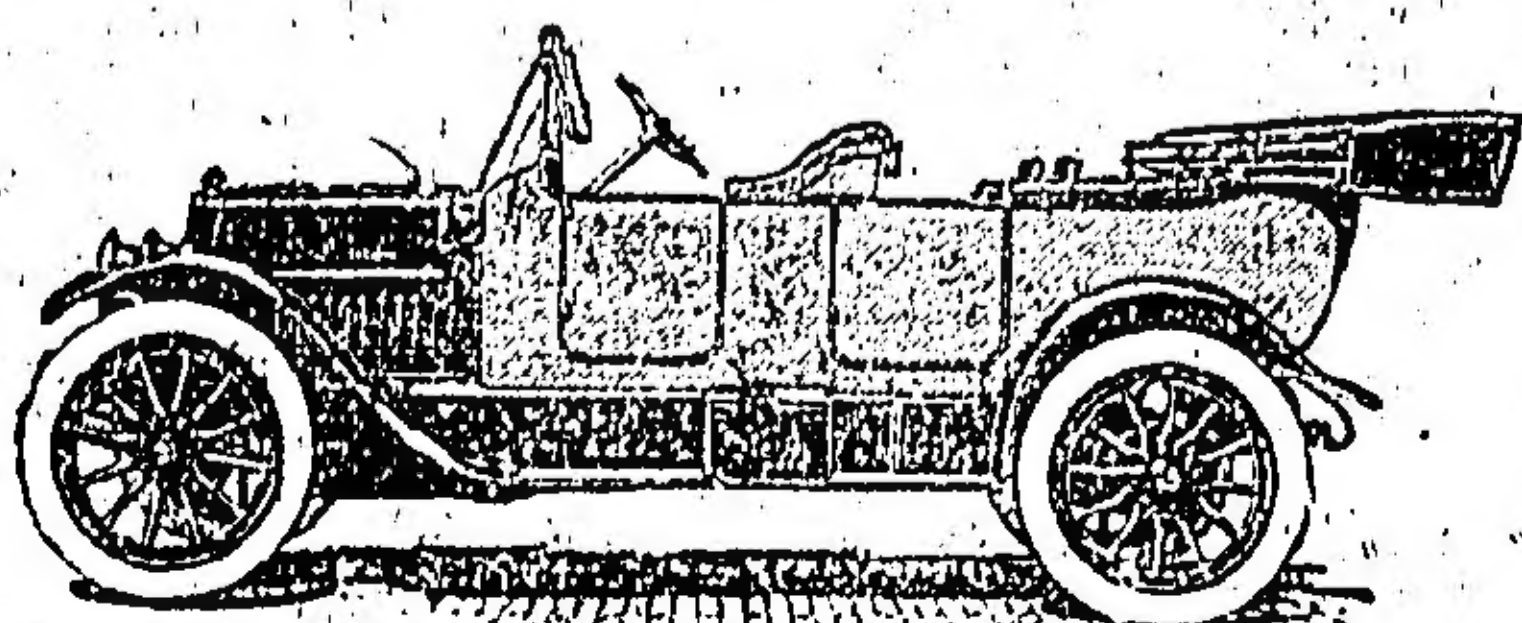
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struction of the rat pest should be
brought into play. At the same
time some effort should be made
to awaken the interest of the
community in the work. What
between nice theories of the effi-
cacy and luxury on the part of the
inhabitants of the colony, rats
have had pretty much their own
way here for several years, with
the result that the loathsome
breed has been permitted to thrive
apace. Judging from the fact
that plague has been with us from
last season, practically without a
break, Hongkong may suffer another
epidemic as was witnessed in
1894 when thousands died and
many people fled in panic from
the colony. Trade suffered an
enormous set back at that time
and the whole dreadful story
stands to be repeated unless the
most drastic measures are ener-
getically adopted and immediately
applied.

Daily Press.

Chinese Currency Reform.

An important step towards the
provision of the uniform national
coinage that has been talked about
so much ever since the Chinese
Government, by the Mackay
Treaty, promised to provide it,
has been taken by the promulga-
tion of a Mandate, by the Pre-
sident putting into force new
Currency Laws which have had
the approval of a Commission ap-
pointed to consider the Currency
System, and also of a general
Financial Commission appointed
by the Ministry of Finance to
consider the application of
"modern theories of finance to the
circumstances existing in China."
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Minister and Vice-Minister of
Finance, a number of financial
experts from the Audit Depart-
ment, and other officials, includ-
ing Foreign Advisers, and besides
the reform of the currency it is
charged with the task of reporting
on the reform of the taxation
system, the banking system, the
issue of public bonds, the system
of bookkeeping and a number of
other financial questions. Mr.
Morse, in his very illuminating
article on the currency problem
in China, contained in his book
on *The Trade and Administration
of the Chinese Empire*, evidently
does not anticipate success for
any scheme which the wit of man
may devise for uniform national
currency in China. "The inborn
disposition of the people," he
says, "is to accept no coin and no
currency as legal tender, but to
make them all except the lowly
cash, the subject of barter."

China Mail.

International Arbitration.

The defects of the present sys-
tem of remedial action both in
municipal courts and through
diplomatic channels, with the
possibilities of injustice both to
the creditor and to the defendant
government, make it desirable,
and almost necessary that these
purely legal claims should be
presented to an impartial tribunal
neither in the claimant's own
country nor in that of the defend-
ant government. The creditor
will be assured of a hearing, his
own government will avoid the
necessity of being led in
diplomatic difficulties through
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GENERAL NEWS.

Telegraphing Speeches.
During his 41 years at the Post Office, Mr. W. P. Smith, who retires at the end of the month from the position of traffic manager of telegraphs, has seen a good deal of history in the making. He frequently accompanied King Edward on State tours and private visits, and was in charge of the telegraph arrangements at Birmingham and Greenwich when Mr. Chamberlain opened his Tariff Reform campaign. Mr. Smith has also had to arrange for the transmission of speeches by Mr. Balfour, Mr. Asquith, Lord Rosebery, Sir William Harcourt, and Sir H. Campbell-Bannerman.

Pure Milk.
In drawing up its proposed regulations to ensure a pure milk supply, the St. Pancras Borough Council has taken a step that should be imitated widely. The new regulations prevent the sale of milk in shops dealing in such commodities as paraffin, coal, firewood, fish, and onions. The necessity for such rules is shown by the fact that out of the 389 shops in the borough where milk is sold retail, paraffin is sold in 23, firewood in 264, and coal and coke in 91. The impossibility of a hygienic supply in such circumstances is obvious.

A Chinese Flea-Trap.
A flea-trap is in general use in Szechuan. It consists of two pieces of bamboo, one inside the other. The outer is about a foot in length and two and a half inches in diameter; it is longitudinally fenestrated. The inner bamboo is of equal length, but only about an inch in diameter. It is kept in position by means of a short wooden plug. The inner bamboo is coated with birdlime or the like; the outer bamboo is protective. The trap can be placed under bed-clothes, among rugs, and so forth; any fleas that go through get caught on the birdlime. Dr. Hindle suggests in *Knowledge* that the trap might be of great value in connection with plague epidemics.

Hunger Testing Machine.
Dr. A. J. Carlson, of the University of Chicago, has demonstrated on himself the efficiency of a hunger testing machine which is his own invention. Dr. Carlson defined hunger as a sensation which arises in the stomach, while appetite, he explained, is a nervous phenomenon of the brain. Swallowing a small, cigar-shaped rubber balloon which had been fitted with long rubber tubes, he inflated the balloon in his stomach through the tubes, and then attached the latter to sensitized paper. Hunger, he said, caused the muscles of the stomach to grip the balloon and drive out the air, which registered the amount of hunger on the sensitized paper.

Gifts to Dreadnoughts.
France has adopted the English custom of presenting gifts to battleships named after cities or other localities. The City of Paris recently presented a service of plate to the Ville de Paris, and Lorraine intends to offer a "souvenir" to the vessel of the same name. Normandy is about to follow the example; she has the "Gaulois," and a committee has decided to give the Normandie a large bas-relief in bronze, representing the daring deeds of the Vikings, the Normans' ancestors. The example is certain to be followed by Gascogne, Provence, Bearn, and other districts, which boast of a warship bearing their name.

Fire of London on The Film.
It is reported that an English film company is at present engaged upon a stupendous production in which the Great Fire and Plague of London, 1666, will figure. In order that the production may be as accurate as possible, says the "Film Censor," it is stated that a street of old houses has been erected after the architecture of the period of the great fire.

Workhouse Boy's Success.
Halstead, Essex, guardians have been notified of an educational feat by Sidney Charles Brewer, a boy from their workhouse. He had been apprenticed on a Grimsby smock, and now, at the age of 16, he has passed the Board of Trade examination, obtaining 161 marks out of a possible 185, and taken the Skippers' Prize, given annually by the Grimsby Education Committee, and four other prizes.

SORE THROAT.

Its Cause and Cure.

Contrary to the general belief, it is not cold, damp, or draughts which directly cause the sore throat, tonsillitis, &c., from which so many people suffer. They merely render us liable to the disease by lowering our vitality.

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Contemplated Circuit of the World.

A circuit of the globe by the Goldschmidt system of wireless telegraphy is stated to be in contemplation by the German company using that system. This company, it will be remembered, succeeded in surprising the world in August last by transmitting signals between its German station and a station in the course of refection at Tuckerton, New Jersey. The feat was particularly notable inasmuch as the aerial at Tuckerton had by no means reached the intended height. The tower for this aerial is now complete, and forms one of the most remarkable structures yet undertaken by engineers. Its total height is 825 ft., or only 160 ft. short of the Eiffel Tower, and it looks at first sight to be nothing more than a triangular mast of lattice girder construction. Closer inspection reveals unusual features. The base, instead of being hidden many feet beneath the ground, terminates in a ball-shaped point, which is free to move in a massive socket. The tower, too, instead of being in one piece, consists of two pieces, each terminating in a point, and so balanced one on the other that the middle of the mast becomes a hinge. The mast is held in a vertical position by twelve massive steel cables, but is free to move in a gale of wind at the hinged centre 480 ft. from the ground, and at the base. The designers contend that such freedom will minimise all risks of undue strain and possibility of collapse. The anchors for the cables consist each of 1,100 tons of concrete, whilst the whole tower, which weighs 300 tons, is insulated on glass pillars. The tower has been erected by German workmen, one of whom is stated to have made the climb of 825 ft. in 20 minutes. It is understood that the German company is about to erect a third tower on the Pacific Coast of the United States, and others in the two Pacific Islands, and on the Continent of Asia.

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CHINESE ALCHEMY.

At the eighth general meeting of the Alchemical Society a highly interesting paper by Prof. Herbert Chantley of Tongshan Engineering College, North China, was read dealing with Alchemy in China. He pointed out that views similar to those of the medieval alchemists of Europe had been current in China since the year 500 B.C., or even earlier. The Chinese alchemists regarded gold as the perfect substance. They also agreed with European alchemists in employing bizarre symbols in their writings, in predicating a spiritual influence as a necessity for the alchemist in using mercury as the basis in attempting to prepare the Philosopher's Stone, in believing in the slow, natural development of gold from other metals, in associating asceticism with immortality, and, above all, in postulating a sexual generation for all things.

Lord Lansdowne's Estates.

It is stated officially that the Marquess of Lansdowne has made over all his Scottish estates to the Earl of Kerry, the heir to the Marquessate, and Lord Charles Fitzmaurice. It is understood that Lord Charles Fitzmaurice, Lord Lansdowne's second son, and one of His Majesty's senior equerries, will benefit the greater by the transfer of the estates, which include the Kinross and Pitscary properties. The new arrangement dates from January 1. It is understood that Melkior, the chief of the Scottish estates, will pass to Lord Charles Fitzmaurice. It has as a matter of fact, always been understood that he would inherit this and the most important of other Northern estates.

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Hongkong, 10th Feb. 1914.

The Hongkong Telegraph.

HONGKONG, WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 11, 1914.

THE PROPOSED CANTON BANK.

We have reported in our news columns the steps which are being taken for the establishment of a new Bank in Canton, and in view of the importance of the matter so far as trade relations between Hongkong and the capital of Kwangtung are concerned, the matter is one which deserves the fullest possible consideration. It is now well known that the merchants both of Canton and Hongkong are, with the Provincial authorities of Canton, the joint sponsors of the scheme, and that the aim is to make the new Bank the organ to redeem the discounted paper money of the adjacent Province and to issue new notes in place of the old with a view to relieving the market. When we keep in mind the adverse effect which has resulted to trade by reason of the low discount at which the notes have been quoted, the object sought is certainly a most beneficial and praiseworthy one.

From its nature, the undertaking is semi-official in character, and it was doubtless because of this that it was found impossible to float it in Hongkong, as was originally intended, since such a step would necessitate compliance with the Companies Ordinance in matters of registration, and so forth. Being semi-official, the scheme has been the subject of consultation between Canton and Peking, and it would appear that, in the main, the idea is acceptable to the Central Government, for so recently as the 2nd inst., the Peking Daily News reported that "the Government in a telegram to the Tutch and Civil Governor of Kwangtung approved of the scheme and asked that it be carried out quickly," following this up with a statement to the effect that "the Tutch and the Governor are ordered to report to the Ministry of Finance regarding the regulations of the bank." The approval must only have been of the proposal in a general way, inasmuch as we reported yesterday, President Yuan Shih-kai has intimated that the draft regulations do not conform to his requirements. It is not intended, however, to abandon the scheme by any means, and the further revision of the regulations is to be taken in hand at once.

Apparently a good measure of support has been guaranteed not only by Chinese in Canton and Hongkong, but also by many abroad, especially in the Straits, and from what we hear, there are strong hopes that the scheme will yet be put through. It is realised, however, that the undertaking is one of so great dimensions—the capital is to be \$30,000,000—that expert foreign advice and assistance may be required to carry it to full fruition. That, at any rate, is a point of marked importance, and we venture to believe that the joint co-operation of Chinese and foreigners in this proposal would go a long way towards making it the success it deserves to enjoy.

The King's Speech.

There is little of outstanding importance in the King's Speech which was read in Parliament yesterday, and of which the main features are outlined in our telegraphic news columns to-day. So far as international matters are concerned, it is satisfactory though, inasmuch as it shows the outlook to be much brighter than it has been for many a long day. Clouds have been dissipated, and at the moment our relations with the Great Powers are, without exception, of a distinctly friendly character. That certainly is so much to the good. Naturally, chief interest centres in the references to the Home Rule question, and all who are not blinded by partisanship, and who have the best interests of the Empire at heart, will endorse the wish expressed by His Majesty that "the goodwill and co-operation of men of all parties and creeds may bear the discussion and lay the foundations of a lasting settlement."

It is matter for surprise that no reference is made to the South African troubles, especially since the Labour party intends to move an official amendment to the Address on the subject of the recent deportations. In view of the delicate nature of the question, however, a wise restraint may account for this. The list of new measures foreshadowed is a big one, and, what is more, they cover contentious questions, such as the reform of the House of Lords, education and housing. Adding these on to the fight which is likely to take place over Home Rule, there is promise of a very lively session, and it will be a surprise if the Government is able to carry out all its intentions, even if it should manage to survive in office. We are at the beginning of bitter contests, and it would be a bold man who would attempt to prophesy exactly what will happen before his session ends.

"THE IDOL'S EYE."

The Caste for Lieut. Crosse's Play.

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For the information of intending patrons of "The Idol's Eye," the author requests us to explain that the character Lai On speaks both grammatical and pidgin English during the piece. Grammatical English is used where Lai On would naturally talk and think in Chinese. "Pidgin" is reserved for his conversations with foreigners.

DAY BY DAY.

NEVER BEAR MORE THAN ONE TROUBLE AT A TIME. SOME PEOPLE BEAR THREE KINDS—ALL THEY HAVE EVER HAD. ALL THEY HAVE NOW, AND ALL THEY EXPECT TO HAVE.—Aurebury.

The Mails.

Siberian Mail.—Arrived per s.s. Obenau at 2 p.m. to-day.
Australian Mail.—Left per s.s. Nikko Maru at noon to-day.
American Mail.—Closes per s.s. Minnesota at 11 a.m. to-morrow.

Empress of Asia.

The Empress of Asia is again lying at her buoy after recent overhaul at Kowloon docks.

To Consign.

Consignees of cargo by the s.s. Deilinger are reminded that goods remaining undelivered after to-morrow will be subject to rent.

Boxing.

There is every prospect of a boxing tournament being held at the City Hall on the 28th inst. Mr. E. Hall informs us.

Railway Station.

The site for the new railway station at Kowloon is now being cleared in readiness for the commencement of building operations.

Ex-Policeman Fined.

An ex-Chinese policeman was charged this morning with causing an obstruction near the Naval Yard and with assaulting the Police. Mr. Hazeland fined him \$5 on the first charge and \$25 on the second.

Warriors.

Two Chinese who fought yesterday with chair legs and other implements appeared this morning at the Police Court bespattered with blood and with injuries to their faces. They were each fined \$15 or seven days.

Hongkong Church Missionary Society.

A meeting of the Hongkong Church Missionary Society will be held at St. Paul's College at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday. Dr. Neville Bradley will deliver an address on Medical Missions, and Mr. Yen Yee-chuen will speak on students' work in West China.

Killemann's Success.

Mrs. A. F. Ponsford won the skilled shot certificate on the Dockyard Rifle Club range, Tai Hang, on Tuesday afternoon. The certificate is awarded by the National Rifle Association for a score of 86 out of a possible 105 in 7 shots at 300, 500 and 600 yards. Mrs. Ponsford's aggregate was made up of 28, 20, 29.

Football Meeting.

The usual monthly meeting of the Council of the Hongkong Football Association will be held at the Headquarters, Royal Engineers Theatre, Queen's Road, on Thursday next, at 6.30 p.m. Every Club, &c. in membership is entitled to send two delegates. The business is to receive the report of the Referees Board, and to deal with same.

Organ Recital.

The last of the series of organ recitals by Mr. Denman Fuller attracted a large congregation to St. John's Cathedral last evening. A special programme, all "request" items, was presented and throughout a high standard of excellence was maintained. Mr. Fuller's best items were "Battiste's Meditation and Grief's 'To the Spring,'" both of which were treated with rare delicacy and skill. The soloists were Miss L. White, Mr. Reginald Brown, and Mr. A. G. Macdonald. Miss White gave a beautiful rendering of "With verdure clad," Mr. Brown gave a pleasing interpretation of "My hope is in the everlasting," while Mr. Macdonald was responsible for a spirited contribution of "Why do the Nations?"

Latest Advertisements.

A notice regarding next week's Races is issued.—Page 5.

The stewards of the Hongkong Jockey Club request the presence of ladies at the Races.—Page 5.

It is notified that on the 12th and 13th inst. vehicular traffic may be suspended between Bonham Road and Pokfulam Road.

The Chinese Maritime Customs offices for Kowloon will be closed on the 12th inst.—Page 5.

The Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown, Co. convey motor cars from Hongkong to Kowloon by special crane lighter.—Page 5.

Consignees' notices are issued regarding the Nera, Gregory Apar and Katori Maru.

The Gregory Apar sails for Shanghai and Japan on the 14th inst.—Page 5.

BRITISH BANKS AND BANKERS.

Comments With a Local Application.

(CONTRIBUTED.)

Are our bankers really good business men or do they, from their environment and experience, only obtain a narrow view of business and of the part they should play in our business world? I am led to make this query by criticisms I have heard lately as to the poor assistance British commercial enterprise in the Far East receives from its Bankers, not only as compared with that which our Continental competitors can always rely on securing, from their bankers, behind whom usually stand their Governments, but with those ordinary facilities upon which a respectable business concern can always count upon getting from its bankers at home. I am aware that this sort of assistance from Banks prevails to a much greater extent in Scotland, but even in England, there are few Banks that are not always ready to make advances to customers whose characters are well known and who are doing a sound and careful business. I know of huge concerns in London to-day that would never have reached their present magnitude—businesses like those of Lipton and Whiteley for instance—if the founders had not been well supported throughout by their bankers. But in China, and India also, I believe, one is always met with the excuse that the Banks out here are only Exchange Banks and do care to undertake other business!

But exchange is only a part of banking business and this brings me back to my enquiry. Are Exchange Bankers the spoiled darlings of banking, and are they prevented by their limited experience from taking a broad view of the duties and obligations of bankers, that is to say duties and obligations which are of the greatest importance to communities like ours? It almost seems to me—and I say it with all respect and not so much with the desire to make the charge as to ask your readers' consideration of the matter—that they are. In support of this view let me take their dealings with the local stock market. We all know that there are times when values are unduly inflated and when shares are changing hands at prices far above their intrinsic value and other times when stocks are being forced off at figures much below their real worth. Now one would expect that in the former case Banks would be very chary of advancing money on such inflated values, while in the latter case, knowing that the market required support and that prices were unreasonably depressed, they would recognise that liberal advances would be quite safe.

But, no, just the contrary is the case. If speculators can insist a share to \$100 probably \$75 will be obtained as an advance on it, but if the Bears force it down to \$20, then not even \$10 will be lent on the very same share, although the real value of the security is unaltered! This is not sheer imagination on my part for I know of shares on which 75 per cent. could be obtained when the quotation was over 100 per cent. premium but on which when it had fallen to about 50 per cent. discount, Banks refused to advance anything at all although the security in each case was the same, but, of course, infinitely safer to advance upon at the very time when the Banks would give nothing on it! This is a curious anomaly, and of interest to the student of human nature who reflects how strangely men are affected by a panic or a boom. In neither case will they stop to consider the real meaning of the figures that are shouted about. But for the banker, the leader in finance, that is just the time when he should stand in the breach and control the situation.

We cannot expect our bankers to be as firm and shrewd as Sir Robert Walpole at the time of the South Sea Bubble, but from the remarks I have listened to in business circles I cannot help thinking that if the Banks reversed their policy on such occasions, and were conservative where they

TRAINING NOTES.

A Poor Morning's Work.

The morning opened very cold at the Racecourse, but regardless of this a large crowd assembled, only to be disappointed for the most part, as the gallops were very few and further did not take place until very late in the morning when many of the would-be spectators had cleared off. In considering the times that were recorded one must take into account the heavy nature of the going. The principal performances of the morning were those of Wild Aster, Kao Shun, Crown Aster and Banjolini.

The times taken were:
Tulight, —, 35, 1-07.2-5
fini-hed well.

Triumph Aster (Vida) galloped lame—last of 1-34.3-5, 1-08.

Brown Bay galloped on the inside course cantering freely.

Violini, (Dalgarno) —, 32.4-5, 1-06.3-5.

Candy Kid, 41.3-5, 1-16.1-5, 1-50.4-5, 2-24.2-5.

Somerset, 38.1-5, 1-12.4-5, 1-50.1-5, 2-26, 3-01.1-5.

The Guller cantered inside.

Royal Rose, 35.3-5, 1-12, 1-47, 2-21.2-5, —, 3-26.1-5.

Ole Hop, —, 34.3-5, 1-14, 1-12.1-5, 1-48.4-5.

Arrived, Turquoise, 36.2-5, 1-40.1-5, 2-15.

Sweet William, —, 34.1-5, 1-09.1-5.

Jewel Aster, 36.4-5, 1-12, 1-48.3-5, 2-25, 2-59.2-5, 3-30.2-5, 1-21.

Valsalini (Jervois), 33.3-5, 1-05.4-5, 1-32.1-5.

Sweet Kicker, —, 35.4-5, 1-10.4-5, 1-43, 1-32.1-5.

Conqueror Aster, —, 35.2-5, 1-12.2-5, 1-49, 2-23.2-5, 2-53.3-4, 1-30.1-5.

Damon went a mile and a quarter but could not finish.

Gilgwyn, moved nicely in a 11 mile gallop.

Kao Shun, 37.2-5, 1-13, 1-50.3-5, 2-28.1-5, 3-04, 3-35.3-5, 1-31.3-5.

Banjolini (Dalgarno) 34.2-5, 1-03.2-5, 1-44.2-5, 2-19, 2-52.2-5, 3-28.3-5, 1-34.1-5.

Polkint galloped with above for half mile.

Matchless Dahlia (Gogg), 37.2-5, 1-11, 1-44.2-5, 2-20.

Goldfinch Dahlia, 37.2-5, 1-11, 1-44.2-5, 2-20.2-5.

Brimmish Dahlia, 37.4-5, 1-12, 1-40.1-5, 2-20.4-5, 2-52.2-5, 1-31.3-5.

Dandy Boy, 40.2-5, 1-10.2-5, 1-55.2-5, 2-20.

Crown Aster, 39.3-5, 1-15.1-5, 1-50, 2-25.2-5, 2-59.2-5, 3-31.2-5, 1-32.

China Aster, 34, 1-09.2-5, 1-40.1-5, 2-52.1-5, 1-33.1-5.

BOY SCOUTS.

Subscription for New Hall and Band.

Mr. E. J. Elward, scoutmaster of St. Joseph's Boy Scouts, notifies that the following subscriptions have been received up to date, and hopes the movement, having received such an auspicious start, will soon be an accomplished fact:—

Anonymous Supporter... \$300
Mr. Ho Kom-tong... 200
Mr. Ellis Kadoorie... 200
Mr. Ho Fook... 50
A friend of the Boys... 10
Total... 750

now are liberal and liberal where they are now conservative, much loss would be spared, not merely to speculators for, for them, I have little sympathy, but to bona fide investors who are needlessly frightened, and often cruelly forced out of their holdings in times of inflation and subsequent panic. And I think that British trade in the Far East would make more headway against its rivals if Banks would be more willing to regard themselves as its helpers and promoters and instead of sheltering themselves under the time-honoured excuses that their business is Exchange and that they do not care to advance on real estate &c, be ready to lend a helping hand to those of their countrymen who are struggling with limited means to push British trade and British wares against their better financially supported competitors.

SOC. ETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL.

Three New Conferences Formed.

An extraordinary general meeting of the Society of St. Vincent de Paul took place last Sunday at the Society's Conference Hall, Glenside, for the purpose of electing a new President. It was thought desirable to reorganise the Conference to meet the rapid expansion of Hongkong. Availing of this opportunity, it was resolved at the previous general meeting to form other Conferences besides that attached to the Cathedral, which was accordingly done.

The Society will, therefore, in future consist of three local Conferences for the Cathedral, Kowloon and Wanchai, to deal with the particular and urgent wants of those districts in subordination to a Central or General Council of Hongkong.

Mr. A. M. C. da Silva (the Vice President) having been elected President by a large majority of votes, he appointed the following:—Central Committee:—Mr. J. C. V. Ribeiro (Vice President), Mr. V. F. Soares (Secretary), Mr. A. J. O. Rocha (treasurer); with the following Presidents for the local Conferences:—Mr. Max. A. dos Remedios (Cathedral), Chev. J. M. Alves (Kowloon) and Mr. H. Dixon (Wanchai).

The Committee of the local Conference are as follows:—Cathedral Conference:—Messrs. J. A. C. V. Ribeiro (Vice President), Isidoro da Costa (Secretary) and Oscar P. da Roza (Treasurer). Kowloon Conference:—Messrs. F. Dillon (Vice President), Ed. Noronha (Secretary), H. de Figueiredo (Treasurer). Wanchai Conference:—Messrs. P. H. Murray (Vice President), M. Fernandez (Secretary), Li Yat-choy (Treasurer).

VOLUNTEER ORDERS.

Corps orders issued by Lieut. Col. A. Chapman, V. D. state:—Machine Gun Standard Tests. Those members of Machine Gun Company and Civil Service Coy. selected to fire the above tests will parade as follows:—Saturday 14th inst. 1.30 p.m. at Blake Pier; Sunday 15th inst. 3.30 p.m. at Blake Pier; Dress as for Musketry but without rifles.

Application for leave.—Several cases having recently occurred of men leaving the Colony, either permanently or temporarily, without applying for leave, and without returning their rifles and equipment to store, it is hereby notified that any men intending to leave the Colony for any period must notify the Staff Officer through his Company Officer, who will be responsible that his rifle etc. is at once returned.

Hatton Cup Competition.—Conditions for the above competition have been received. These conditions have recently been much modified, and it is hoped that at least one team from the Volunteer Corps will compete. For purposes of this Competition the Corps has been divided into two portions as follows, each of which can put in one team (a) Artillery Battery and Signals, (b) Remainder of Corps. Copies of conditions can be seen at any time in the Corps Office.

Joined.—Pte. W. E. Douglas joined the Corps on the 9th inst. allotted Corps No. 1394 and posted to the Civil Service Company. Pte. J. Stalker joined the Corps on the 9th inst. allotted Corps No. 1495 and posted to 1st Section, M. G. Co.

Resigned.—Gr. P. W. A. Wilkie is permitted to resign with effect from this date.

Leave.—Pte. A. Vivasah is granted leave of absence from December 1 to August 1. Gr. R. K. Miller is granted leave of absence from February 6, 1914, to February 6, 1915.

DISHONEST BOY.

The Chinese boy who was yesterday charged with stealing a brooch from Sybil Rothschild, of No. 2, Gage Street, appeared this morning before Mr. Hazeland and one further charge of theft of jewellery was preferred against him.

He was sentenced to one month's hard labour and four hours' stocks on each charge. The sentences to run consecutively.

THE ATTORNEY GENERAL.

Mr. J. H. Kemp May Fill Acting Position.

It is freely rumoured in Civil Service circles, and also in the Colony generally, that Mr. J. H. Kemp, Crown Solicitor, will be appointed acting Attorney General during the absence of the Hon. Mr. J. A. S. Bucknill, K.C., who leaves on March 28 to act as Chief Justice of the Straits Settlements, while Sir W. H. Hyndman Jones is on leave. Mr. Kemp has only just completed a short period of service as acting Puisne Judge.

Mr. P. M. Hodgson will probably be appointed acting Crown Solicitor.

THE APPEAL CASE.

Judgement Reserved To-day.

Sir Haviland de Saenzmaraz, Chief Justice, H. B. M. Supreme Court of China (President), His Honour Sir William Rees Davies (Chief Justice of the Supreme Court of Hongkong) and His Honour Mr. H. J. Gompertz, (Puisne Judge) continued in Full Court of Appeal at the Supreme Court, Hongkong, this morning when they concluded the case in which Ho San Lam, alias Ho Ngok Law, appellant, asked that the judgment of the Chief Justice in the case of Ho Chin Lam, alias Ho Yin Tong v. Ho San Lam, in favour of the plaintiff be set aside and a new trial be ordered before a judge and jury.

Judgment was reserved.

SANITARY BOARD.

Measures for the Prevention of Plague.

The usual meeting of the Sanitary Board was held yesterday afternoon at the offices of the board when Mr. D. W. Trautman presided. There were also present Col. Irwin, the Hon. Mr. E. B. Hallifax, Mr. F. B. L. Bowley, Mr. Chan Kai-ming, Mr. Ng Hon Tsz, Dr. Fitzwilliams, Dr. F. Clark M. O. H., Dr. Pearce, Asst. M. O. H., and Mr. W. Bowen Rowlands, secretary.

A letter from the Government relative to the reclamation of the foreshore at Shauiwan was laid on the table.

The text of the letter, which was as follows:—

I am directed to inform you that the Director of Public Works has prepared a scheme for laying out for any further reclamation at Shauiwan and that seabed and foreshore will be sold there subject to this scheme.

The Government await applications for seabed and foreshore for the purpose of reclamation in this district and no obstacle will be placed in the way of such development, but it is not prepared at present to undertake the reclamation itself.

Pursuant to notice, Mr. F. B. L. Bowley asked the following question:—"Do the Head of the Sanitary Department and the Medical Officer of Health consider that any (and if any, what) special preventive measures should be adopted at the present time to check the spread of plague?"

In reply, the President said that the only novel and special measure which they had to recommend, so far, was the evening scavenging round which they would discuss at that meeting, the policy of removing ceilings and stair linings and others harbours for rats had been carried out, and a special campaign was to be carried out in Wanchoi which had furnished them with most of their recent cases.

The Board went into committee on correspondence relative to a proposed evening scavenging round.

On emerging from committee, the President moved that an evening scavenging round be started in the neighbourhood of 6 p.m., to be substituted for the scavenging round beginning at noon in the congested districts of the city.

Dr. F. Clark seconded and the motion was carried.

The consideration of correspondence relative to the proposed market at Tai Hang Village was postponed until the next meeting.

INSUBORDINATE SAILOR.

Sent to Hongkong Gaol.

Before Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., at the Marine Court this morning, a sailor from the s.s. Fernley, named Ramon Parabalia, was charged with unlawfully disobeying the orders of Captain R. C. Appleton. The complainant deposed that the defendant was logged on two occasions for disobedience, and produced the log book in substantiation. The first occasion on which the defendant was logged was February 3. At 8.20 a.m., one of the men in the fore-castle was ordered to the wheel; it was defendant's "trick" at 8.45, but he did not turn up until 9.15. The mate spoke to him and informed him that he would not then be wanted until 10 o'clock, but the defendant refused to report at that time. As to the second offence, the defendant and another man on February 9, were ordered to put on a hawser pipe cover. The defendant, however, refused, stating that the weather was fair and he would do it "tomorrow." The defendant, said complainant, had constantly given trouble in this way and he had many times forgiven him.

Defendant admitted the first offence but said the reason he refused to go to the wheel was because it was not his duty to do so. He then alleged improper treatment had been meted out to him at Philadelphia by the complainant and the mate.

His Worship told the defendant that he was there to answer the charges made against him and if he had any charges to bring against the master and the officers he had to do so in the proper way. He ordered defendant to forfeit six days' pay and to be kept in prison with hard labour for four weeks, or until the ship returned. He also ordered that defendant's gaol expenses be paid out of his wages.

MARINE PROSECUTION.

Launch Master Fined.

At the Marine Court this morning, a Chinese, the master of the steam launch Hoi To, was charged before Commander Basil Taylor, R.N., with unlawfully leaving the Harbour without a clearance, on or about the 3rd inst., and also with failing to pay the prescribed light dues on arrival on the 4th inst. There were two similar charges against him in regard to the Hoi Foo.

Mr. R. F. C. Matter, Messrs. Johnson, Stokes and Master, defended.

Mr. Lenfesty, of the Harbour Office, said that with regard to the Hoi To he had received a report that the launch had sailed from Hongkong on the 3rd inst. and returned on the 4th inst. No report was made to the office as should have been the case.

Mr. Master said the launch went up to Canton for a survey in reference to a certificate. As to the light dues, they would be paid at once; there was not the slightest question of trying to defraud.

Mr. Lenfesty said that on January 12, a special permit issued to the Hoi Foo had been returned to the office with the statement that she had been trading between Hongkong and Mira Bay. He made inquiries and found that she had been trading regularly between Hongkong and Au-tau and on writing to the owners a letter was received stating that she was running between Hongkong and Au-tau during the last six months, making 156 trips between those two places.

His Worship said he understood that this sort of thing had been a common practice by many launches, but what was supposed to be gained by it he did not know.

Mr. Master said that as far as his clients, the owners, were concerned, this was the first time they had been offended.

His Worship imposed a fine of \$50 in respect to each case—\$100 in all.

LATEST SHIPPING NEWS.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The P. M. s.s. KOREA is due to arrive at this port from Manila at 8 a.m. on the 16th inst.

The P. M. s.s. SIBERIA will sail from Yokohama for Hongkong on the 11th inst. via Manila. The United States mail has been transferred to the E. O. RUSSIA, due to arrive in Hongkong on the 17th inst.

The Mogul Line s.s. ATHOLL sailed from Singapore on the 10th inst. and is due to arrive on the 16th inst.

The s.s. G. APCAR leaves for Shanghai, Kobe and Moji on Feb. 14.

To-day's Advertisements

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB.

RACE MEETING, 1914.

MONDAY, TUESDAY, WEDNESDAY & SATURDAY (OFF-DAY), 16th, 17th, 18th and 21st, February.

TICKETS OF ADMISSION to the GRAND STAND and ENCLOSURE may be obtained from Messrs. Kelly & Walsh, Ltd., or at the Gate. Price, \$7 for the Meeting (excluding the Off-Day), or \$3 per day. Tickets for the Off-Day, \$2.

No one admitted without a Ticket, to be shown to the Ticket Inspector at the Gate.

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1914.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

THE STEWARDS request the pleasure of the presence of the LADIES at the GRAND STAND and the ENCLOSURE during the Races.

A Stand and Enclosure will be reserved for Members and Members' Wives and Families. Tickets for which are being sent out with the Members' Tickets.

All Tickets must be produced to gain admission. Special accommodation will be reserved as in recent years for Chinese Ladies and their Female attendants in the Stand erected on the plot of ground next to the Lusitano Club Stand.

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1914.

HONGKONG JOCKEY CLUB

PASSES for Servants will be issued on application to the Under-Secretary on SATURDAY, the 14th February.

No Servants will be allowed inside the ENCLOSURE of the Race Course during the Race Day WITHOUT TICKETS, which can be had on application to the Under-Secretary. These Tickets are only available for Servants while in attendance on their employers or when on duty at the various Stands.

Any Chinese found loitering about with Servants' passes in their possession will forfeit them and the holders thereof will be removed from the Enclosure.

T. F. HOUGH, Clerk of the Course. Hongkong, 11th Feb., 1914.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

From EUROPE, COLOMBO and STRAITS.

THE Company's Steamship

"KATORI MARU" having arrived from the above ports, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods are being landed and placed at their risk in the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf & Godown Company's Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery can be obtained as soon as the Goods are landed.

Optional goods will be carried on unless instructions are given to the contrary before NOON, TO-DAY.

Goods not cleared by the 17th February, will be subject to rent. Damaged packages must be left in the Godowns for examination by the Consignees and the Co.'s representatives at an appointed hour. All claims must be presented within ten days of the steamer's arrival, here, after which date they cannot be recognized. No claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godowns.

NIPPON YUSEN KAISHA, Agents. Hongkong, 10th Feb., 1914. 1 161

DAIRY FARM NEWS.

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NOTICE.

THE office of Chinese Maritime Customs for Kowloon and District will be closed to public business on the 12th inst., being the anniversary of the proclamation of the Republic in Peking.

E. GORDON LOWDER, Commissioner of Chinese Customs. York Buildings, Hongkong, 10th Feb., 1914.

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NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES

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Optional Cargo will be forwarded on unless intimation is received from the Consignees before NOON TO-DAY requesting it to be landed here.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by the Undersigned. Goods remained unclaimed after 16th inst., at Noon will be subject to rent and landing charges.

All claims must be sent in to me on or before the 20th inst., or they will not be recognized.

All damaged packages will be examined on 16th inst., at 10 a.m.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

S. C. DE BUSSIERRE, Acting Agent. Hongkong, 9th Feb., 1914. 1 160

G. 3122 R.

It is hereby notified that on account of the removal of a boiler from the existing pumping station on Bonham Road to the New Station on Pokfulam Road, vehicular traffic may be suspended at any time during the 12th & 13th instants between the places mentioned. Parties desiring to traverse the roads in question with motor cars or other vehicles should ascertain for themselves whether such roads are available for traffic.

W. CHATHAM, Director of Public Works.

Public Works Office, Hongkong, 11th February, 1914.

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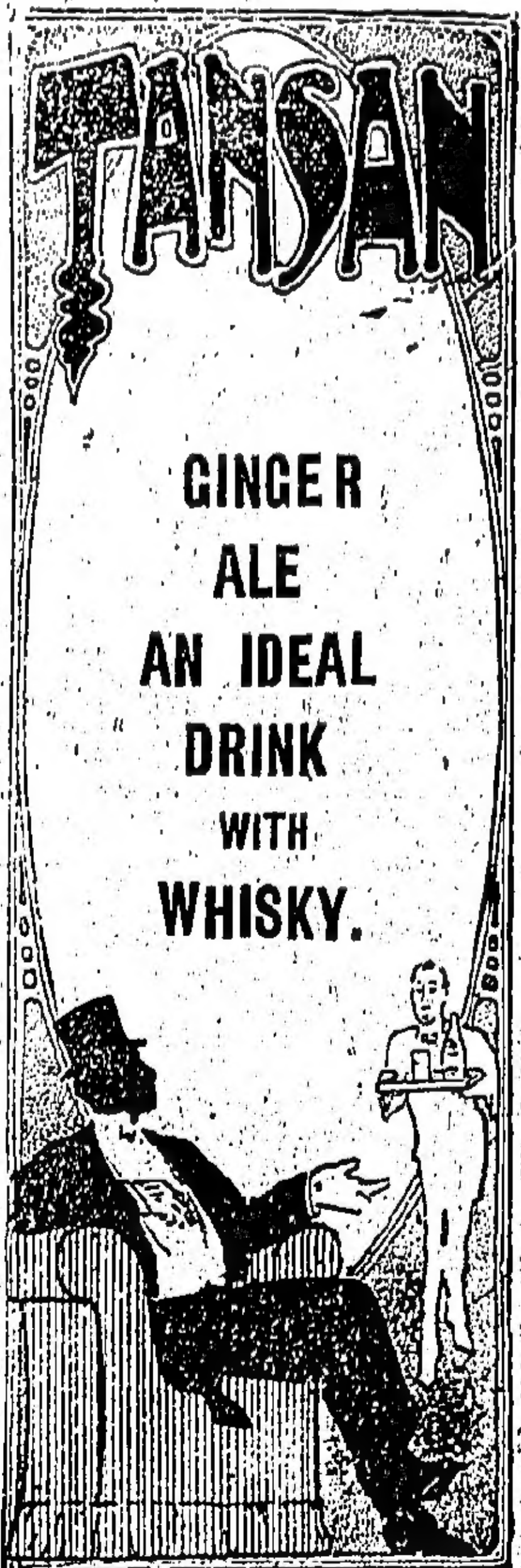
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Hoerde.....17th Mar.	Sambia.....25th Apr.

HOMEWARD.

For R'dam Bremen & Hamburg; Preussen.....13th Feb.	For Bremen, H'burg & Antwerp; Senegambia.....17th Mar.
For Havre, Bremen & H'burg; O. J. D. Ahlers.....24th Feb.	For Victoria, V. ver S'le & P. (Or); Sudmark.....18th Mar.
For Marcellier, H'burg & H'burg; Suevia.....2nd Mar.	For M'les, R'dam & Hamburg; Sachsen.....23rd Mar.
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Destination.	Subject to Alteration	Sailing Date
MARSEILLES, LONDON & ANTWERP, via Singapore, Malacca, Penang, Colombo, Suez, and Port Said.....	Kitano Maru Capt. T. Cope T. 16,000 Iyo Maru Capt. Hirase T. 12,500	WEDNES, 11th Feb. at 10 a.m. WEDNES, 25th Feb. at 10 a.m.
VICTORIA, B.C. and SEATTLE, via Shanghai, Kobe, Yokohama, and Yokohama.....	Aki Maru Capt. Noma T. 12,500	TUES, 24th Feb. at noon.
SYDNEY & MELBOURNE, via Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville and Brisbane.....	Nikko Maru Capt. Takada T. 9,600 Kumano Maru Capt. M. Winckler T. 9,300	WEDNES, 11th Feb. at noon. WEDNES, 11th Mar. at noon.
CALCUTTA via Spore, Penang & Rangoon.....	Sanuki Maru Capt. Deguchi T. 12,500	SATURDAY, 21st Feb.
BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.....	Jinsen Maru Capt. Sano T. 5,000	TUESDAY, 17th Feb.
KOBE & Yokohama.....	Katori Maru Capt. Murai T. 20,000	WEDNES, 11th Feb. at 11 a.m.
NAGASAKI, Kobe & Yokohama.....	Kumano Maru Capt. M. Winckler T. 9,300	WED, 11th Feb. at 11 a.m.
SHANGHAI, Moji & Kobe.....	Rangoon Maru Capt. Date T. 6,000	TUESDAY, 17th Feb.
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Katori "	20000 "	"	25th "
Kamo "	16000 "	"	8th April.
Kashima "	20000 "	"	22nd "

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Shidzuoka Maru	12500 tons	sails Tuesday	27th January.
Tamba "	12500 "	"	10th February.
Aki "	12500 "	"	24th "
Sado "	12500 "	"	10th March.
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Awa "	12500 "	"	7th April.
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NINGPO & SHANGHAI.....	Szechuen	14th Feb. at d'light
TIENTSIN.....	Kueichow	14th Feb. at noon
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAU.....	Chenan	14th Feb. at m'night
SWATOW & SHANGHAI.....	Wuhu	15th Feb. at d'light
SHANGHAI.....	Shao-shing	17th Feb. at noon
MANILA, CEBU & ILOILO.....	Taming	17th Feb. at 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI.....	Anhui	19th Feb. at 4 p.m.

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Tjikini	JAVA	S'HAJ	2nd half Feb.
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Haijing.....	W. C. Passmore	FRIDAY, 20th Feb. at 11 a.m.

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Vessels.	Tons.
B. India.....	151 4,722
Ellerman.....	131 4,586
P. and O.....	985 608
Holt and Co.....	77 6,084
White Star.....	32 16,222
Furness.....	121 8,316
Elder Dempster.....	111 3,176
R.M.S.P.....	64 5,131
Harrison.....	61 5,186
Union Castle.....	41 7,715
Canard.....	25 11,417
Can. Pacific.....	80 3,279

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"ARAGONIA,"

Captain Enick, having ar-
rived, Consignees of Cargo are
hereby informed that their goods
are being landed and placed at
their risk in the hazardous and/or
extra-hazardous Godowns of the
Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf &
Godown Company, Limited,
whence delivery may be obtained
against Bills of Lading counter-
signed by the Undersigned.Optional Cargo will be carried
on unless notice to the contrary
be given to-day.All claims must be presented
within ten days of the steamer's
arrival here, after which date they
cannot be recognized.No claims will be admitted after
the Goods have left the Godowns,
and all Goods remaining unde-
livered after the 12th inst., will be
subject to rent.All broken, chafed, and dam-
aged goods must be left in the
Godowns, where they will be ex-
amined on the 12th inst., at
9.30 a.m.No Fire Insurance will be
effected by us in any case what-
ever.

HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 6th Feb., 1914. [1156]

FROM EUROPE.

THE H. A. L. Steamship

"SAXONIA,"

Captain A. Both, having arrived,
Consignees of Cargo are hereby
informed that their goods are be-
ing landed and placed at their
risk in the hazardous and/or ex-
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Hongkong & Kowloon Wharf &
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HAMBURG-AMERIKA LINE.

Hongkong Office.

Hongkong, 6th Feb., 1914. [1159]

To Sail

"GLEN LINE"

McGREGOR, GOW & Co. Ltd.

s.s. "GLENFAROE"

(Capt. H. J. Henderson)

for Hamburg, London, Rotter-
dam & Antwerp.The above steamer will be des-
patched for the ports named,
on or about 3rd March, 1914.

s.s. "GLENLOAN"

(Capt. Jas. McGregor)

for London via Plymouth.

This steamer will be despatched
for the above port on or about
31st March, 1914.Saloon passage Hongkong, Lon-
don (including first class rail fare
Plymouth to London) £40.For Freight or passage, apply
toSHEWAN TOMES & Co.,
Agents.

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Commercial.

The Tin Plate Trade.

Writing a year ago on the British tin plate trade, Messrs. Brooker, Dore, and Co. stated that in their opinion the exports of 1913 would approach half a million tons. In fact, they reached 494,921 tons. This large tonnage, which is a record total, would undoubtedly have ensured prosperity for the trade had not the capacity of output been so abnormally increased in 1912. As it is there has not been work enough to go round, and prices have receded rather more than was warranted by the reduced cost of brass and tin. The former fell from 28 1/2 to 24 1/2, and the latter from £228 to £170 per ton. In January an attempt was made to control and curtail output, but this fell through. A great many works, however, closed down, and at one time as many as 100 mills were idle. The fall in price has been 2s. 4 1/2 per box, the highest being 15s. Wales, and the lowest 12s. 7 1/2. It is four years since we reached this low level. Recently there has been more business doing and the outlook is more hopeful, several large orders having been placed here recently for oil plates for America, but time is required to adjust supply and demand, especially if the Continental makers continue to increase their make, and so supply a larger share of their own domestic trade. It is satisfactory to notice that British India has been our largest customer, and next comes the Netherlands; Germany, Australia, and Japan come third, fourth, and fifth on the list. Perhaps the most noticeable feature in the returns is the increase in the shipments to the United States, which have gone up from 2,135 to 21,516 tons. This is the largest since 1910. Shipments in tons for the year included:—Russia 9,921, Norway 25,166, Germany 34,730, Netherlands 43,009, Belgium 13,363, France 21,318, Portugal 14,873, Italy 20,418, Rumania 10,927, China (including Hongkong) 21,535, Japan 28,231, United States of America 21,516, Argentina 19,330, British East Indies 63,987, Australia 28,961, Canada 9,950.

Australian Meat for America.

"So great has been the demand for Australian meat," says an American importer, "that we have completed distributing centres all along the Pacific coast from San Diego to Seattle, a distance of from 1,500 to 1,700 miles." There are, it is stated, 30 per cent. less cattle in America than there was five years ago, and the population has increased by over 11 per cent., according to a San Francisco correspondent. This looks like an opportunity for the development of Australia's meat trade in that direction. There are hundreds of thousands of square miles of good cattle country in the northern portion of Australia only waiting the introduction of stock and cattle to become successful meat-producing stations.

Civil Service Commission.

A report of the Royal Commission on the Civil Service, which its work somewhat years ago, is awaited with interest, and general opinion will be felt at the announcement that the members of the Commission have agreed to report, which is to be published. The Commission has appointed principal to the method of promotion prevalent in the Civil Service. Considerable grievance has been felt in the lower division against the working of the patronage system, and it is understood that the report will be found to recommend certain changes in this respect and the throwing of more posts into open competition. On the other hand opportunities of advancement into the first division are to be still more strictly limited. The report is also expected to recommend the Government to give civil servants of certain departments an all-round increase of 15 per cent. on salaries, coupled with the institution of an eight hours day.

Consignee

INDO-CHINA STEAM NAVIGATION CO., LTD.

From CALCUTTA, PENANG & SINGAPORE.

THE Company's Steamship

"LAISANG,"
having arrived from the above Ports Consignees of cargo by her are hereby informed that their goods will be delivered from alongside.
Cargo impeding the discharge or remaining on board after 4 p.m. the 5th inst., will be landed at Consignee's risk and expense.
No Fire Insurance will be effected.
Bills of Lading will be countersigned by—
JARDINE, MATHESON & Co., Ltd.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 4th Feb., 1914. [8

Public Companies

HUMPHREYS ESTATE AND FINANCE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the HONGKONG HOTEL, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 14th February, 1914 at 11.30 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ending 31st December 1913.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 9th to the 23rd February (both days inclusive) during which period no transfer of shares can be effected.
JOHN D. HUMPHREYS & SON,
General Managers.

NOTICE.

THE KOWLOON LAND AND BUILDING CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the TWENTY FIFTH ORDINARY MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in this Company will be held at the COMPANY'S OFFICES, VICTORIA BUILDINGS, on THURSDAY, 26th FEBRUARY, 1914 at NOON, for the purpose of receiving the REPORT of the DIRECTORS together with Statement of ACCOUNTS for the year ending 31st December, 1913.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Company will be closed from TUESDAY 17th to THURSDAY 26th February, 1914 (both days inclusive), during which period no TRANSFER of SHARES can be registered.
By order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary to the Hongkong Land Investment Agency Company, Limited; Agents for the Kowloon Land and Building Co., Ltd.

NOTICE.

THE Partnership between the undersigned carrying on business under the style or firm name of Arthur Nilsson and Company has been dissolved as on the 31st day of December, 1913.

Dated the 6th day of February, 1914.
ARTHUR NILSSON by his attorney, H. J. GEDGE,
WEI A YUK.

NOTICE.

THE business of Arthur Nilsson and Company will be continued by me the undersigned in the name of Arthur Nilsson and Company.
Dated the 6th day of February, 1914.
WEI A YUK.

HONGKONG, CANTON and MACAO STEAMBOAT Co., Ltd.

THE FINAL DIVIDEND of \$1.00 per Share, declared at the ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS, held This Day, will be PAYABLE at the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, on and after TUESDAY, the 10th February, 1914.

Shareholders are requested to apply to the Office of the Company for Warrants.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Acting Secretary,
Hongkong, 10th Feb., 1914.

Notices

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the ORDINARY HALF-YEARLY MEETING of the SHAREHOLDERS in this Corporation will be held at the City Hall, Hongkong, on Saturday, the 14th day of February, 1914, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Court of Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1913.

The REGISTER OF SHARES of the Corporation will be closed from MONDAY, the 2nd February, to SATURDAY, the 14th February, 1914 (both days inclusive), during which period no transfer of Shares can be registered.
By Order of the Court of Directors,
N. J. STABB,
Chief Manager,
Hongkong, 28th Jan., 1914. [150

DIOCESAN SCHOOL AND ORPHANAGE.

School duties will be resumed on Thursday, 12th instant.
For Terms for Boarders or Dayscholars apply to The Headmaster.
Hongkong, 7th Feb., 1914.

RACE BOOKS.

THE only Authorized Edition of the RACE BOOK is that Published by Messrs. Noronha & Co., WHICH IS COPY-RIGHT UNDER THE ACT OF 1911.
T. F. HOUGH,
Clerk of the Course,
Hongkong, 3rd Feb., 1914. [155

THE LONDON DIRECTORY

(Published Annually)
Enables traders throughout the World to communicate direct with English Manufacturers & Dealers in each class of goods. Besides being a complete commercial guide to London & its suburbs, the directory contains lists of EXPORT MERCHANTS with the Goods they ship, and the Colonial and Foreign Markets they supply.
STEAMSHIP LINES arranged under the ports to which they sail, and indicating the approximate sailings.
PROVINCIAL TRADE NOTICES of leading Manufacturers, Merchants, etc., in the principal provincial towns & industrial centres of the United Kingdom. A copy of the current edition will be forwarded, freight paid, on receipt of Postal Orders for 20s.
Dealers seeking Agencies can advertise their trade cards for £1, or larger advertisements from £3.
THE LONDON DIRECTORY CO., LTD.,
25, Abchurch Lane, London, E.C.

LESSONS IN CHINESE.

MR. LI HON FAN, a Chinese graduate versed in literature, has been a teacher to European officials and merchants in this Colony for over ten years. He has a good method of training Europeans to pass in the Chinese examination, and is possessed of a first rate certificate as a Chinese teacher. He has also a good knowledge of Mandarin and Hakka.
Those who intend learning the Chinese language are requested to write c/o "Hongkong Telegraph" office or direct to 37 Hollywood Road, 1st floor, Hongkong, 29th Jan., 1912.

A New SILK STORE

In the most up-to-date style and fashion at the large and commodious Premises No. 38 & 40 Queen's Road Central, lately occupied by Messrs. H. Rutledge & Son, where we are displaying an entirely new, handsome and gorgeous stock of
Silk Goods & Jewellery Ware
of all descriptions in a variety of new, elegant and attractive designs and patterns.
The stock includes a choice selection of
Turkish, Persian & India Silk,
Carpets & Woollen Rugs
in choice and elegant patterns.
Prices specially reduced for summer.
As early visit earnestly solicited.
D. CHELLARAM,
Hongkong, 7th Feb., 1914.

Banks

INTERNATIONAL BANKING CORPORATION.

Head Office—40, Wall Street, New York.
London Office—10, Abchurch Lane, E.C.

BRANCHES:—

Bombay, Calcutta, Cebu, Colon, Hankow, Hongkong, Kobe, Manila, Mexico, Panama, Peking, San Francisco, Shanghai, Yokohama.
Capital and Surplus equal to \$10,000,000.
THE BANK'S CIRCULAR LETTERS OF CREDIT are accepted on all the principal cities in the World.
BILLS NEGOTIATED and COLLECTED.
MAIL and TELEGRAPHIC REMITTANCES made.
LETTERS OF CREDIT and DRAFTS issued on all the principal cities in the World.
CREDIT ADVISABLE all over the World.
COMMERCIAL LETTERS OF CREDIT issued.
PURCHASE and SALE of Stocks and Shares effected.
TRAVELLERS' CHEQUES issued and cashed.
GEORGE HOGG,
Manager,
10, Abchurch Lane, E.C.

Deposits received, and for one year at 2 per cent. or for shorter periods, at rates, which may be ascertained on application.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened on the usual terms.
RESERVE FUNDS:
Sterling £1,500,000 at 2 1/2 per cent.
Silver 17,450,000
\$32,450,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$15,000,000
COURT OF DIRECTORS:
S. H. Dodwell, Esq.,—Chairman.
Hon. Mr. D. Landale,—Deputy Chairman.
G. Friesland, Esq.
E. Goetz, Esq.
C. S. Gubbay, Esq.
P. H. Holyoak, Esq.
C. Landgraf, Esq.
W. L. Pattenden, Esq.
J. A. Plummer, Esq.
Hon. Mr. E. Shellim.
H. A. Siebs, Esq.
CHIEF MANAGER:
Hongkong—N. J. Stabb.
Shanghai—A. G. Stephen.
London Bankers—London County and Westminster Limited.

Hongkong—Interest Allowed.
On Current Account at the rate of 2 per cent. per annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:
For 3 months, 2 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager

THE YOKOHAMA SPECIE BANK LIMITED.

Established 1880.
Authorized Capital Yen 40,000,000
Paid-up Capital " 30,000,000
Reserve Fund " 18,550,000
Head Office—YOKOHAMA.

Branches:
Amoy, Canton, Hongkong, Kobe, London, Lyons, Manila, Peking, Shanghai, Singapore, Tientsin, Yokohama.
Deposits received for fixed periods at rates to be obtained on application.
EISHI ONO, Manager.
Hongkong, 30th Sept., 1913. [18

THE CHARTERED BANK OF INDIA, AUSTRALIA AND CHINA.

Incorporated by Royal Charter 1853.

HEAD OFFICE—LONDON.
Paid-up Capital £1,200,000
Reserve Fund £1,700,000
Reserve Liability of Proprietors £1,200,000

FOREIGN EXCHANGE and General Banking business transacted.
CURRENT ACCOUNTS opened and FIXED DEPOSITS received for 1 year or shorter periods at rates which will be quoted on application.
A. S. HEWETT,
Acting Manager,
Hongkong, 11th April, 1912. [22

THE CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN AND MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

(Capital Paid up—\$1,250,000.)

Loans on Mortgage of House Property, &c.
Goods received on Storage.
Advances made on Merchandise.
Loans made on the Provident System.
(Rates and Particulars on application.)
The Office of TRUSTEE, EXECUTOR OF WILLS, ATTORNEY, &c., Undertaken and Executed.
SHEWAN, TOMES & Co.,
General Managers,
Hongkong, 19th March, 1908. [3

PEAK TRAMWAY CO. LIMITED

TIME TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.
4.00 A.M. to 8.00 A.M. Every 15 Min.
8.00 A.M. to 10.00 A.M. " 10 Min.
10.00 A.M. to 11.00 A.M. " 15 Min.
11.00 A.M. to 12.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
12.00 P.M. to 1.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
1.00 P.M. to 2.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
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3.00 P.M. to 4.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
4.00 P.M. to 5.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
5.00 P.M. to 6.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
6.00 P.M. to 7.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
7.00 P.M. to 8.00 P.M. " 15 Min.
NIGHT CARS as on Week Days.
SATURDAYS.
Extra Cars at 15 min. intervals.
SPECIAL CARS
By Arrangement at the Company's Office.
D. YAU, Mgr.

THE ALEXANDRA CAFE
Cann't be Beaten, if Equalled
For Bread, Cakes, Confectionery
Main with Wines & Liquors

Banks

HONGKONG & SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

Paid-up Capital \$15,000,000

RESERVE FUNDS:

Sterling £1,500,000 at 2 1/2 per cent.
Silver 17,450,000
\$32,450,000

Reserve Liability of Proprietors \$15,000,000
COURT OF DIRECTORS:
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For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager

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For 6 months, 3 1/2 per cent. per annum.
For 12 months, 4 per cent. per annum.
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager

HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK

THE Business of the above Bank is conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.
Rules may be obtained on application.
INTEREST on deposits is allowed on the minimum monthly balances at 3 Per Cent. per annum.
Depositors may transfer at their option balances of \$100 or more to the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank to be placed on FIXED DEPOSIT at 4 1/2 Per Cent. per annum.
For the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation,
N. J. STABB, Chief Manager.

DEUTSCH ASIATISCHE BANK.

Capital Fully Paid-up—Sh. Tael 7,500,000
Head Office—Shanghai.
Board of Directors—Berlin.
Branches:
Berlin, Calcutta, Canton, Hamburg, Hankow, Kobe, Peking, Singapore, Tientsin, Tsingtau, Yokohama.
LONDON BANKERS:
Messrs. N. M. Rothschild & Sons.
The Union of London and Smith's Bank, Limited.
Deutsche Bank (Berlin), London Agency.
Direction der Disconto Gesellschaft.
Dresdner Bank.
INTEREST allowed on Current Account. DEPOSITS received on terms which may be learned on application. Every description of Banking and Exchange business transacted.

R. TIMMERSCHIEDT,
Manager,
Hongkong, 9th Oct., 1911. [2

THE MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, LIMITED.

Authorized Capital £1,500,000
Subscribed " 1,125,000
Paid Up " 562,500
Reserved Fund " 415,000

BANKERS:
Bank of England,
London Joint Stock Bank, Limited.

Interest allowed on Current Accounts at 2 per cent. per annum on Daily Balance and on Fixed Deposits at rates which may be ascertained on application.

A. L. LINTON,
Manager.

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Cann't be Beaten, if Equalled
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Exchange

Selling.	T/T. Marks	Buying.
1/T Demand 1/10 7/8	On Haiphong 13 1/2	4 m/s. L/C 1/11 1/4
30 d/s 1/11 15/16	On Saigon 1 1/2	4 m/s. D/B 1/11 3/8
60 d/s 1/11	On Bangkok 30 7/8	6 m/s. L/C 1/11 3/8
4 m/s 1/11 1/16		30 d/s. Sney & Melbourne 11 1/8
1/T Shanghai 73 1/2		30 d/s. San Fco & New York 47 1/4
1/T Singapore 81 1/2		4 m/s. Marks 1.98 1/2
Private 30 d/s sight S'hai 74 1/2		4 m/s. Francs 2.45
1/T Japan 83 1/2		6 m/s. do 2.47
1/T India 141 1/2		Bar Silver ready 26 9/16
1/T Bombay 141 1/2		forward 26 3/8
Demand Bombay 142		Gold Leaf per tael 54.30
Demand Calcutta 142		Bank of England rate 3 1/2
Demand India 142		Sovereign 10.40
Demand Manila 142		
1/T San Fco & New York 46 1/2		
1/T Java 115		

TO-DAY'S SHARE REPORT.

STOCKS & PAID UP VALUE. CLOSING QUOTE. LAST DIVIDEND AND DATE.

Hongkong & Shanghai 125 1/2 \$840 s.
Canton 50 323 b.
North China 25 T136 b.

Unions 100 \$835 b.
Yangtze 250 132 1/2 b.

China Fire 20 160 s.
Hongkong Fire 50 385 b.

China & Manila 25 59 1/2 s.
Douglas Steamship 50 35 b.

Steamboats 15 28 1/2 b. x div.
Indo-China (Preferred) 5 78 s.
(Deferred) 5 78 s.

"Shell" Transports 1 105 1/2 s.
"Star Ferry" 10 48 b.

China Sugars 100 97 1/2 s.
Luzon Sugars 100 90 s.

Chinese Engineering 1 42 1/2 s.
Tonghai 1 37 1/2 b.
Rauha 1 37 b.

Docks, Wharves, & COWNS
Kowloon Wharfs 50 85 s.
H.K. & W'poo Docks 50 74 s.

Shanghai Docks T. 100 57
Hongkong Wharfs T. 100 T.106 b.

LANDS, HOTELS & BUILDINGS
Anglo French Lands T.100 T.94
Hongkong Hotels 50 81 1/2 b.

Hongkong Lands 100 112 b.
Humphreys Estates 10 69 s.
Kowloon Lands 30 46 b.

Shanghai Lands T. 30 T. 92
West Point 50 87 s.

Manila M'pole Hotel P.10 P. 8
COTTON MILLS.

Ewos T. 50 T. 135 b.
Shanghai Cottons T. 135 b.

Loou Kung Mow 109
Kung Yik 13 1/4 b.

Hongkong Cottons 10 8 b.
China-Borneo 11 1/2 b.

Light and Powers 11 1/2 s.
Do. (Spec. shares) 11 1/2 s.

China Providents 10 49 1/2 b.
Dairy Farms 8 40 b.

Green Islands 10 62 s.
Hongkong Electric 10 64 s.

Hongkong Ice 25 180 s.
Hongkong Ropes 10 23 s.

Langkats 10 T33 1/2
Morning Post 25 20 1/2 b.

Peak Tramway 10 104 1/2 b.
Do. (new) 1 93 1/2 s.

Hongkong Electric Trams 7 1/2 b.
Philippines 10 65 s.

F. Price & Co., Ltd. 10 65 s.
Societe des ferres 10 20.

Pulperet 50 20.
Papiereries 10 20.

Shanghai-Sumatra 20 T.150
Steam Laundry 5 44 1/2 b.

United Asbestos 10 40 1/2 b.
Oriental Agency 10 40 1/2 b.

United Asbestos 10 40 1/2 b.
Founders Shares 10 40 1/2 b.

Union Waterboat 10 20 x div s.
Weismann, Ltd. 10 40 b.

Watson 10 40 b.
William Powell 10 40 b.

Corrected to 11th Feb. 1914.
Central Station 9 De Young Road Central Address Building.
In Hongkong and Shanghai.

WRIGHT AND HORNEBY, MANAGERS.

AMERICA CUP.

Probable Design of the Challenger.

Although building operations on Sir Thomas Lipton's new challenger have been in progress for some weeks, says the *Daily Telegraph*, very little information has been allowed to leak out in reference to her design or details of construction, secrecy being maintained as strictly as possible. Obedience in being accorded, however, to a rumour which is just gaining currency to the effect that Shamrock IV. will be fitted with a centre-board. Assuming this to be correct, it will be one of the most interesting innovations in the history of cup racing, as never before has a British challenger been so fitted.

The centre-board has never found much favour amongst yachtsmen in this country, excepting for small craft. The prejudice with which it was regarded by some men was doubtless a survival of old ideas, when a yacht was looked upon as a floating home, and every attention was given to comfort below decks. The box in which the centre-board is encased, in having necessarily to come above the vessel's waterline, curtails internal accommodation by cutting a considerable portion of the cabins in two. So long as these views obtained the centre-board was regarded as a mere expedient for gaining certain points in sailing at the sacrifice of comfort aboard, and therefore to be discouraged.

Among American yachtsmen there were no such prejudices, and for some years the typical sloop, corresponding to our cutter, was a vessel of shallow draught, relying upon her great beam for stability and a centre-board for preventing leeway when on a wind.

A Bone of Contention.

The use of the centre-board was a bone of contention between challengers and defenders for the America Cup for many years, English yachtsmen contending that centre-board yachts should not be permitted to compete for the trophy. Until quite recently a yacht fitted with the appliance was often referred to as a mere sailing machine. On the other hand, American yachtsmen along to it tenaciously, and when the America Cup "deed of gift" was redrafted in the year 1887 a clause was inserted specially providing that centre-board vessels should always be eligible as competitors. The text of that clause is as follows:

Centre-board or sliding-keel vessels shall always be allowed to compete in any race for this cup, and no restriction or limitation whatever shall be placed upon the use of such centre-board or sliding-keel, nor shall the centre-board or sliding-keel be considered a part of the vessel for the purpose of measurement.

The inclusion of this clause in an instrument designed to govern all contests for the trophy in perpetuity was the answer of the New York Yacht Club to the frequent appeals made for the disqualification of such craft.

Whilst no centre-board yacht has ever challenged from this side, all the American vessels specially designed for the defence were of that type down to and including *Vigilant*, which defeated *Valkyrie II.* in 1893. Since that time the American boats have developed on very similar lines to the British.

Assuming, therefore, that Shamrock IV. is to be a centre-board vessel, considerable interest will attach to her, as being the first yacht of that type with which a challenge has been forwarded from this country, and it will appear curious that we should have adopted the idea after so many years of strenuous opposition to it, and in face of the fact that it is not regarded as indispensable in American craft of the present day.

Centre-Boards Depreciated.
Until the year 1888 centre-boards were not permitted in ordinary racing yachts in this country, but in the revision of the racing rule in that year provision was made for their use. Even then they never came into favour, although a few yachts were fitted with them. Amongst the notable vessels which tried them was Mr. Jameson's *Ivorna*, built in 1889 from Richardson's design. O'Neill, her skipper, was made the recipient of a good deal of chaff over it. He was advised that it would act as an automatic pilot, as he would be able to stand on over banks until he felt his centre-board bump, when he would know it was time to go about. After a few races it was deemed of little use and was consequently discarded.

Another famous vessel built with a centre-board was *Queen Mab*, a Watson design, which formed one of the fine class of forty-raters in 1892. She used it in a few of her earlier races, and then it was wedged up, although there was some disagreement on the point between the designer and the skipper, Mr. Watson contending that it would have been beneficial. Still, Ben Parker, the skipper, had his way for the greater part of the season, and made a fine record in a hot class, making but little use of the sliding-keel.

When two boats of the calibre of *Ivorna* and *Queen Mab* tried the innovation and discarded it, and then, without them, piled up long strings of prize flags, it was, perhaps, not encouraging to designers to continue producing vessels of this type, and doubtless the objection to them still remained with majority of owners; hence, we have seen our yachts develop through various rating rules on the fixed-keel model.

The adherence to the fixed keel has always had the effect of producing vessels of good draught. The draught has naturally varied under different rules. Until the days of *Vigilant* the American boats competing against the British challengers were much shallower. In *Vigilant*, however, the centre-board was combined with substantial draught, British and American ideas being, in a sense, amalgamated in that vessel. Thus, judging from the latest exponents of the centre-board, Shamrock IV., if so fitted, need not be an approach in any degree to the old-time skimming-dish. Should the challenger as a centre-board boat win the America Cup, her success might reasonably be expected to have its due effect upon future designs in this country.

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The *Assaye*, with the English Mail left Singapore on Saturday, 8th inst., at 6 a.m. and is due to arrive here on Friday the 13th inst., at 6 a.m. This packet brings the parcel mails closed in London for despatch by the all-sea route on the 7th ult. and for despatch overland on the 14th ult.

The *China* with the mails from London (via Siberia) of Saturday the 24th ult. is due to arrive here on Friday the 13th inst.

The *Empress of Russia* with the Canadian and American Mails ex Siberia is scheduled to arrive here on Tuesday the 17th inst.

MAILS DUE.

English, Assaye, 13th inst.
Canadian and American, E. of Russia, 17th inst.
Siberian, China, 13th inst.

MAILS VIA SIBERIA.

Left London Jan. 23 Due Shanghai Feb. 7.

MAILS CLOSE TO-DAY.

Japan via Moji—Per *POORSEANG*, 11th Feb., 5 p.m.
Straits—Per *PHIMBUS*, 11th 5 p.m.

TO-MORROW.

Amer. Mail Japan via Nagasaki and Seattle—Per *MINNESOTA*, 12th inst., 11 a.m.
Fort Bayard, Haiphong, Pakhoi and Saigon—Per *HUE*, 12th inst., 11 a.m.
Swatow—Per *CHEONGSHING*, 12th inst., 11 p.m.
Straits and India via Calcutta—Per *KUTANG*, 12th Feb., 1 p.m.
Straits, Ceylon, India via Bombay—Per *INDO MARU*, 12th inst., 5 p.m.

FRIDAY, 13th Feb.

Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *HAITAN*, 13th Feb., 10 a.m.
Tientsin—Per *KUEICHOW*, 13th inst., 10 a.m.
Shanghai and North China, Japan via Nagasaki, Honolulu, Canada, United States, via San Francisco (Europe via Siberia)—Per *SHINYO MARU*, 13th inst., 10 a.m.
Ningpo, Shanghai and North China—Per *SZECHUEN*, 13th inst., 5 p.m.

SATURDAY, 14th Feb.

Tientsin—Per *KUEICHOW*, 14th inst., 10 a.m.
Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon, Extra Postage 10 cents) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters deposited in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail).—The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday the 13th inst., 6 p.m.—Per *CHINA*, 14th inst., 10 a.m.
Shanghai, North China, Japan via Kobe—Per *G. APGAR*, 14th inst., noon.
Philippine Islands—Per *LOONGSANG*, 14th inst., 1 p.m.
Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per *CHENAN*, 14th inst., 5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and North China—Per *WUHU*, 14th inst., 5 p.m.

SUNDAY, 15th Feb.

Swatow—Per *HAIMUN*, 15th Feb., 9 a.m.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow via Tamul—Per *DAIGI MARU*, 15th 9 a.m.
MONDAY, 16th Feb.
Shanghai and North China—Per *WINGSANG*, 16th Feb., 5 p.m.

TUESDAY, 17th Feb.

Shanghai and North China—Per *SHAOHSING*, 17th Feb., 11 a.m.
Straits and India via Calcutta—Per *LOVAT*, 17th Feb., 1 p.m.
Philippine Islands—Per *RAMING*, 17th Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *HAITAN*, 17th Feb., 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, 18th Jan.
Straits, Burmah, Ceylon, Adelaide, Western Australia, India, Aden, Egypt, and Europe via Brindisi (Late Letters 11 a.m. to noon, Extra Postage 10 cents) (Supplementary mail on board up to the time fixed for departure of the mail (Extra Postage 10 cents) (Letters deposited in all the Pillar Boxes in time for the first clearance will be included in this contract mail).—The Parcel mail will be closed on Friday the 13th inst., 6 p.m.—Per *CHINA*, 14th inst., 10 a.m.
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Philippine Islands—Per *LOONGSANG*, 14th inst., 1 p.m.
Shanghai and North China (Europe via Siberia)—Per *CHENAN*, 14th inst., 5 p.m.
Swatow, Shanghai and North China—Per *WUHU*, 14th inst., 5 p.m.

THURSDAY, 19th Feb.

Shanghai, North China, Japan, via Nagasaki, United States, South America and Canada via Vancouver (Europe via Siberia)—Per *EMPERESS OF ASIA*, 19th Feb., 10 a.m.
Shanghai and North China—Per *ANHUI*, 19th inst., 3 p.m.
FRIDAY, 20th Feb.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow—Per *HAITAN*, 20th Feb., 10 a.m.
SATURDAY, 21st Feb.
Philippine Islands, Angaur, Yap, Fred. Wilhelmshafen, Rabaul, Herbertshohe, Matupi, Australian, Tasmania, New Zealand, Brisbane—Per *WALDEMAR*, 21st Feb., 9 a.m.
Philippine Islands—Per *YUENSANG*, 21st inst., 9 a.m.
SATURDAY, 7th Mar.
Jomelton, Kudat and Sandakan—Per *BORNEO*, 7th Feb., 5 p.m.
WEDNESDAY, 25th Mar.
Philippine Islands, Australia, Tasmania & New Zealand via Port Darwin—Per *CHANGSEA*, 25th Mar., 9 a.m.

SHIPPING NEWS.

ARRIVED.

Chiyuan, Chi. ss. 1,453, J. Ross, 11th inst. Shanghai, 7th inst. Gen.—O. M. S. N. Co.
G. Apgar, Br. ss. 2,960, J. E. Drake, 11th inst.—Singapore, 5th inst. Gen.—D. S. & Co.
Johanne, Ger. ss. 858, H. Inland, 11th inst.—Kohow, 9th inst. Gen.—J. & Co.
Haitan, Br. ss. 1,183, Ronch, 11th inst.—Swatow, 10th inst. Gen.—D. L. & Co.
Katori, Maru, Jap. ss. 6,317, T. Mural, 10th inst.—Singapore, 5th inst. Gen.—N. Y. K.
Loval, Br. ss. 2,401, E. Glegg, 10th inst.—Moji, 4th inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.
Pongtong, Ger. ss. 998, W. Rotstuber, 10th inst.—Bangkok, 1st inst. Gen.—E. & S.
Preussan, Ger. ss. 7,986, H. Loewke, 11th inst.—Shanghai, 8th inst. Gen.—H. A. L.
Telemachus, Br. ss. 1,346, Fraser, 11th inst.—Bangkok, 6th inst. Gen.—M. S. & Co.
Walshing, Br. ss. 1,170, G. S. Holm, 10th inst.—Java, 1st inst. Gen.—J. M. & Co.

DEPARTED.

February 10.

Wingsang for Canton
Hongkong Maru for San Francisco
Tamon Maru No. 12 for Wakamatsu
Monmouthshire for Antwerp
Nichiyo Maru for Saigon
Kwetchow for Canton
Halohing for Foochow
Tientsin for Amoy
Chinhuu for Hainan
Boudoran for Kobaichang
Liangchow for Shanghai
Kashing for Saigon
Kikano Maru for London
Kumano Maru for Yokohama

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

February 10.

Nikko Maru for Melbourne
February 11.
Kaijo Maru for Foochow
Elojua Maru for Hongkong
Katori Maru for Yokohama
Beria for Bangkok
Triumph for Haiphong
Haimun for Swatow
American for E. C. Wan
Chowai for Bangkok
Chiyuan for Canton
Phenicia for London
Fooking for Kobe
Lockun for Bangkok
Zafiro for Hainan
Hue for Haiphong
Kield for Haiphong
Tjilwing for Kobe

PASSENGERS ARRIVED.

Per ss. G. Apgar from Calcutta etc. on the 11th inst.—Major Wallace, E. Digby, V. E. Smith, D. Sheldon.

PASSENGERS DEPARTED.

Per ss. Tamba Maru for Seattle etc. on the 10th inst.—Mrs. E. F. Glegg, Mrs. W. W. Glegg, Mrs. Shin Ping-yat, Hanking, Miss Hanking, Miss Ellis, M. Fraser, Mrs. Levy, Master Levy, T. W. Mair, Wei Wing-hong, Wei Wing-sam, Li A Pak, Ng Cheung Tai, Wong Yaw-sheon, Leong Yick-cheong, and Leong Sing.

SHIPS PASSED THE CANAL.

London, 3rd Jan.
Arrivals from China—Brazilia, Denbighshire, Glenloch, City of Baroda.
The following vessels have passed the Canal—Bayern, Idomenos, Lycaon, Moyuna, Peiho, Simla, Xion, Radnorshire.
London, 5th Feb.
Arrivals from China—Atsuta Maru, Furst Bulow, Altmark, Latria.
The following vessels have passed the Canal—Nolens, Paul Lecat.
London, 10th Feb.
Arrivals from China—Ision, Nippon, Paul Lecat.
The following vessels have passed the Canal—Benary, Condis, Koerber, Prinz Eitel, Friedrich, Yeddo, Baron Driesen, Baron Jedburg.

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WEATHER REPORT.

On the 11th at 10.55.—The anticyclone has spread southward. It now covers the whole of China.

A depression lies to the north-east of Japan.

The monsoon will be moderate to light along the east coast of China, and fresh to moderate over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong Rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day, 0.03 inches.

FORECAST FOR THE 24 HOURS ENDING AT NOON TO-MORROW.

District. Forecast.
K. to N.E. winds moderate; fine at first, afterwards cloudy.
1 Hongkong and Neighbourhood.
2 South coast of China between H.K. and Lamook.
3 South coast of China between H.K. and Hainan.
China Coast Meteorological Register.
11th February, a.m.

Station.	Hour.	Barometer.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind.	Force.
Westcott	7a	30.24	4	nne	1	b
Nemuro	7a	29.97	5	sw	1	b
Hakodate	7a	29.97	5	n	1	b
Tokio	7a	30.06	6	n	1	b
Kobe	7a	30.13	6	sw	1	b
Nagasaki	7a	30.17	6	n	1	b
K'shima	7a	30.13	6	n	1	b
Oshima	7a	30.14	6	nne	1	b
Naha	7a	30.17	6	n	1	b
Shi-Yima	7a	30.17	6	n	1	b
Bonin Is.	7a	30.05	6	wnw	1	b
Chafco	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Whitow	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Hankow	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Ichang	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Kiukiang	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Changsha	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Shanghai	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Guzhu	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Sharp P.	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Amoy	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Swatow	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Taihu	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Taiwan	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
P'lores	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Canton	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
H'kong	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Gap Beck	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Macao	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Wichow	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Pakhoi	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Hoihow	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Phullen	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Tourane	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
O. St. J.	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Aperti	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Manila	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Legaspi	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Iloilo	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Bacolod	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Cebu	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4
Labuan	7a	30.30	31	90	n	4

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Hongkong Observatory, Feb. 11th.

1 Barometer, reduced to 33 degrees Fahrenheit on the level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths.

2 Temperature, in the shade, in degrees Fahrenheit.

3 Humidity, in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100.

4 Direction of Wind, to two points.

5 Force of Wind, according to Beaufort Scale.

6 State of Weather, b blue sky, c detached cloud, d drizzling rain, f fog, g gloomy, h hail, i lightning, o overcast, p passing showers, q squally, r rain, s snow, t thunder, v visibility, w dew wet.

0 Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

H.K. Observatory, 11th Feb.

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METEOROLOGICAL.

Previous Day On date On date

at 8 a.m. at 8 a.m. at 8 a.m.

Barometer 30.22 30.28 30.25

Temperature 57 49 63

Humidity 75 71 46

Wind Direction N N B

Force 1 1 1

Weather c o b

Rain 0 0.03 0

Slight open air temperature on the 10th 59

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